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## VILLA REFUSES ADVANCES MADE BY HUERTA OFFICERS

Attempts Made by Huerta to Play Upon Prejudices of Constitutionalists against United States Come to Naught—Peace Envoy to Meet in Canada.

### Funston is Restive.

Washington, D. C., May 8.—General Funston, commanding the American troops in Vera Cruz, Mexico, is restive under the enforced idleness and anxious to march on Mexico City. The warlike preparations which are being made by the Mexicans during the mediation preliminaries are causing the American commander some worry, and it is known that he would welcome orders to proceed toward the capital at once.

Information came from Vera Cruz to the war department today that the Mexican federal troops have mined the railroad tracks from Vera Cruz to Mexico City in preparation for the utter destruction of the road in the event that the American forces attempt a march on the capital.

No confirmation had been received of reports that the San Francisco bridge on the Inter-oceanic railroad had been damaged.

### Mines Half Mile Apart.

The mines are reported to be located a half mile apart and Mexican soldiers have been detailed to touch off the fuses should hostilities ensue.

Admiral Mayo, at Tampico, has informed the navy department that he would have no trouble in taking Tampico with his present forces.

Invitation to Carranza Withdrawn.

The text of the note from the mediating envoys sent yesterday to Mr. Carranza withdrawing the invitation for a rebel representative to come to Washington to participate in the mediation was as follows:

"We have received your telegram in which you are kind enough to tell us that you deem it inconvenient for the rebel cause to suspend hostilities against Gen. Huerta, on the grounds that such suspension would only be to the benefit of Huerta; and in which you declare the international conflict between Mexico and the United States, for whose solution you accepted our good offices, is independent of the internal strife in that country.

Armistice Indispensable.

"We consider this statement as inconsistent with the idea which caused us to offer our good offices. We think, indeed, that all the difficulties which have continued toward the present situation in Mexico bear either directly or indirectly on the solution of the pending conflict between Mexico and the United States. Consequently we think these difficulties should be made the subject of consideration in the negotiations for whose successful conduct we have deemed it indispensable to suspend hostilities.

Should you not deem it so, we would be compelled to withdraw as inopportune our invitation for the appointment of a representative of the rebels in such negotiations."

"We beg to assure you of our highest consideration."

Carranza Sends Second Message.

A second message has been received by the mediators from Carranza in which he specifically asks them to make definite the terms and scope of the negotiations before he proceeded to appoint representatives. No reply was sent to this telegram, as the attitude of the mediators was embodied in the former note.

The appointment of a United States representative as requested by the mediators was then set and it was thought this would be settled as a result of the regular cabinet meeting today.

Villa Spurns Offer of Huerta.

Torreon, Mexico, May 5.—Defiance of Huerta, and his federal armies is contained in an answer by Pancho Villa to a proposal by federal general Maas at Saltillo that the rebels and federal units should accept the American occupation of Vera Cruz, Mexico.

Not only did Villa spurn the proposal, but he also declared, in his answer, that Gen. Maas and the Huerta government which he served had invited disaster, sought intervention by the United States, and stood on the verge of reaping a whirlwind of ruin. Villa indicated that he would not have dignified Gen. Maas's proposal with a reply, save that he wished to keep the historical records straight.

Proposal by Gen. Maas.

The letter follows: "To Gen. Francisco Villa: "I have received instructions to notify the revolutionary chiefs that American intervention in Mexico is an accomplished fact. The United States of the north have committed a grave offense against Mexico by disembarking troops in Vera Cruz on Apr. 21 and by taking similar action at Salina Cruz two days later. This act alone constitutes the initiation of war and this is the supreme moment to call on the patriotism of all Mexicans to present a united front, and forget our differences in the intense love of country of which we are possessed. We can consider the enemy only as a foreigner who, in the most unjust and ignominious manner, has stepped upon the holy soil of our fatherland."

"Would Keep Us Divided."

"It is well known that the North Americans, following the hypocritical and undignified conduct which they have used in all cases of intervention,

have declared that they will not fight against the revolutionists but only against the government, but it is clearly to be seen that this conduct is for no other purpose than to keep us divided and make easier their conquests. As Mexican patriots we should not permit foreign nations to mix in our internal affairs.

"We therefore call upon our brothers to rally to the common cause for the defense of the national integrity. You could not more nobly yield your present position than for the purpose of rallying to the cause of the whole of Mexico that we may all march together against the invading Yankees. I have such faith in your patriotism that I do not doubt that the forces of your command will rally to fight the invasion of the Americans. I reiterate to you assurances of my distinguished consideration.

Signed: "J. Maas, "General in chief of the division of the Bravo. Dated Saltillo, April 28."

Villa's Reply to Maas.

"In answer to your letter of April 23 in which in accordance with your instructions, you invite me to march with you against the foreign invaders of our country, I would say that I understand your actions fully, and also the present diabolical machinations. I know that as an accomplice you took part in the infidelity and treason of February 1913 (Madero's death). This is perfectly well understood and you should know that we cannot pardon it, and also know that it will be the cause of your ruin.

"I therefore give you this answer only because your official request and my answer are historical documents and I owe to posterity an explanation of my conduct.

Cientificos Sought Intervention.

"I know that the científicos by various processes have, up to this time, sought to bring about North American intervention in Mexico. It is known without doubt, that the coming of the Americans was desired and provoked by you. The manner in which you have excited internal troubles and then called on all Mexicans to help fight the external troubles, is clear to all the world.

"Showed Lack of Wisdom."

"Gen. Huerta and you did not show much wisdom when you were converted into instruments of the científicos and brought about the assassination of president Madero, and vice president Pino Suarez, and some other liberal Democrats because you did not realize that the blood of the heroes who started the democratic movement in 1910 would cause a civil war which would lead to your ruin.

"Now you desire to provide a foreign war to save yourselves from the disaster coming from the civil conflict. You show even less wisdom when you pile up mountains of machinations and lies which will crumble about your ears.

"You have sought to make this union between yourselves and the Constitutionalists who are under arms, and with the pretext of a foreign war, you seek to arm many Mexicans whose sympathies are not with you but whose patriotism you expect to exploit, without reflecting that you are about to arm a people who in justice would chastise your crimes. These same people, when they discover you are an assassin of democracy, you seek to win over by starting a war against a foreign nation to serve your personal interests and those of your party.

"Traitors to the Fatherland."

"It will soon be proven that the satanic declarations which your traitors to the fatherland have made in stating that we have formed a union with the North Americans, is a stupid assertion which will cost you your existence and bring to your families an eternal shame.

"The Constitutionalists have the desire to do all possible compatible with the national dignity to avoid a foreign war but will face two enemies, the powerful stranger and the depraved patriots.

"For constitution and reform, "Francisco Villa, "General in Chief."

Dancing Parties—

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Flynn entertained during the past week with two delightful dancing parties at their residence at Smelter. The first affair was given in honor of Miss Dolores Bernalt on Saturday evening last. The invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bernalt, Mr. and Mrs. Wheaton Bernalt, Miss Dolores Bernalt, Miss Joy, Miss Maude Terrell, Misses Anderson, Gates, Connor, Florence Bennie, Dot Bennie, Lynch, Marks, Houze, and Messrs. Grant, Mason, Shirk, Goldzier, Kyle, Cody, Scott, Lynde, Williams, Hardy, Dodds, Fitzgerald, Bennie, Adams, McIlvaine, Hatchett.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Flynn again entertained with a dancing party the invited guests being: Mesdames Todd, Hutchins, W. B. Kelly, J. J. Kelly, Terry, Bullock, Crawford, Corwin, Tunis, Anderson, Miss Lynch, and Messrs. Todd, Hutchins, W. B. Kelly, J. J. Kelly, Terry, Bullock, Crawford, Corwin, Tunis, Anderson, Simms and Ingles.

## INCORPORATION OF CLIFTON MADE PERFECT

Attorney Kearney Files Petition Before Present Board of Supervisors Correcting Boundaries of Incorporated Limits Which Were Officially Located Twenty Miles Distant.

Technically, according to the official description of the incorporated limits of Clifton, we have for the past six years, been residing, approximately, twenty miles up the Frisco river.

Business men, who have been granted a license to do business in the Town of Clifton, have been roaming around in the country. Officially, Clifton, (Incorporated) never existed. If it did it was somewhere else.

For some time it has been reported that Clifton was never legally incorporated as a town and there has been rumors of a contest over this or that ordinance as a consequence. Finally the Town Council decided to make an investigation of the proceedings attending upon the incorporation of the Town in 1908 and employed Attorney L. Kearney for this purpose. Mr. Kearney had not proceeded very far in his investigation when he discovered that the description of the boundaries of the incorporated limits of the Town of Clifton was defective. The description located the incorporated Town of Clifton twenty miles north of its actual location, all on account of the substitution of Township 4 instead of Township 1 when the petition for incorporation was filed with the Board of Supervisors in the old county of Graham. Following his investigations, Mr. Kearney later discovered that no final Certificate of Incorporation was ever issued; that the publishers' affidavit of the incorporation was never filed for record; in fact we have been sailing along under the form of an incorporated town government when we were not on the map. But all of these errors have now been corrected and by action of the Board of Supervisors this week we have been located where we belong, have received our final certificate of incorporation and are now doing business at the same old stand without fear of opposition.

Board Meeting.

The Board of Supervisors was in session on Monday and the first order of business was the appointment of A. L. Gravelly, as Supervisor, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of C. P. Dunn. This is the second time Mr. Gravelly has been appointed. In this instance W. E. Kelly, under the provisions of the new code, participated as County Recorder in making the appointment instead of the Superior Judge. Following the appointment of Mr. Gravelly Mr. Kelly tendered his resignation as County Recorder and as predicted Mr. Rodney Ellis was appointed.

E. C. Heck, of the Clifton Water company was again appointed Fair Commissioner by the Board this week and will have charge of the exhibits from Greenlee County at the State Fair at Phoenix this fall.

Alex Robinson, an old pioneer of this county, who has been in ill health for some time, was this week allowed twenty dollars per month for his sustenance.

I. N. Callicotte was this week appointed deputy recorder by Recorder Rodney Ellis, by and with the consent of the Board of Supervisors. Bids for constructing the crossing of the Morenci-Clifton highway over the Shannon-Arizona railway were opened this week by the Board of Supervisors and the bid of the Shannon Copper Co. was accepted in the sum of \$600.00. An overhead crossing will be constructed insuring greater safety at this point.

The Board this week purchased Lot 1 in Block 7, at Duncan on which will be constructed a branch county jail at that place. The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the Board.

Hereafter, in accordance with an order entered on the minutes of the Board this week, prisoners confined in the county jail on misdemeanor charges, will be compelled to work the streets surrounding the county court house. The street work will be in charge of the court house janitor.

Jack Holman was this week given a contract to construct a concrete walk in front of the court house.

O. J. Cotey, the successful contractor for the construction of the Metcalf extension road, this week filed a bond in the sum of \$3000.00 for the faithful performance of the contract.

County Attorney Horton, who is at present in Los Angeles, on account of the illness of his wife, has been granted a leave of absence by the Board until May 20.

Richard Coleman, deputy county assessor, who is engaged in making up the original assessment roll of the county, has completed the task and will have the roll ready for delivery to the Clerk of the Board on Monday, May 20th. According to the final figures received from the State Tax Commission, the producing mines of the county will appear on the assessment rolls as follows:

Arizona Copper Co. Ltd., \$8,102,467.25.

Detroit Copper Co., \$5,553,749.74.

Shannon Copper Co., \$1,180,529.20.

Since the final action by the State Tax Commission it is now estimated

that the assessment of Greenlee county will be approximately six million dollars less than in 1913 instead of thirteen million as was at first reported.

### The Superior Court.

Marriage licenses were issued this week by the Clerk of the Superior Court to the following: Francisco Hernandez to wed Saterino Pina. Roy McLaughlin to wed Ruth Turner.

A divorce suit was filed in the Superior Court this week by Carolotta Hirsch vs. Lorenzo Hirsch. The plaintiff resides in Morenci and alleges that her husband is a resident of Ray at present and prior to his desertion of the plaintiff was guilty of cruel and harsh treatment.

A protest against the appointment of Richard Stephens as administrator of the estate of A. A. Coleman was filed this week in the Superior Court by Attorney A. R. Lynch. Acting upon instructions from the wife of the deceased Attorney Lynch has applied for letters of administration.

R. W. Smith, brother of James Smith, who was killed by C. C. Paddock, above Metcalf last week, was applied for letters of administration.

A petition for the dissolution of the Collective Mining company, an Arizona corporation, doing business in Sonora, was filed in the court this week by C. H. McLean. The petition sets forth that the corporation has no assets and no liabilities and asks for a dissolution of the same.

James A. English has instituted proceedings for divorce against Minnie L. English, alleging desertion. The couple were married in Wichita, Kansas, April 14, 1910.

The case of John R. Wood and Son vs. C. P. Dunn for debt, was set for trial on May 27th, when Judge Laine called the trial calendar this week.

The damage suit of Willie Elizabeth Moore brought by her guardian, against John M. Webster, which action grew out of a collision between Webster's automobile and a vehicle, has been dismissed for want of prosecution.

S. F. Awalt has been appointed administrator of the estate of A. M. Turner, deceased.

Chattel Mortgage—Mariano Calles to Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co. Location of Road—Metcalf Road Extension.

Realty Mortgage—B. F. Billingsley to Gila Valley Bank.

Bill of Sale—Pedro Doran to Anceto Maldonado.

Realty Mortgage—J. C. Tyler to First National Bank.

Agreement—A. C. Co., Ltd. to County of Greenlee.

Warranty Deed—Geo. F. Labene to A. C. Co. Ltd.

Realty Mortgage—Manuel Martel to Abel Garcia.

Chattel Mortgage—Juan Maldonado to State Bank of Morenci.

Realty Mortgage—J. C. Traps to State Bank of Metcalf.

Satisfaction of Mortgage—W. F. Hagan to Geo. Balke.

Appointment of Deputy Recorder—L. N. Callicotte.

Chattel Mortgage—Daniel Ybarra to State Bank of Morenci.

Realty Mortgage—J. M. Garcia to Abel Garcia.

## PNEUMONIA IS CAUSE OF MRS. SORIN'S DEATH

Famous Globe Lawyer Passes Away After Brief Illness at Globe; She is Mourned by the Residents of the Whole District.

GLOBE, May 1.—Mrs. Sarah Sorin, the famous woman lawyer in the United States, died yesterday afternoon after a very brief illness. Bronchial pneumonia was the cause of her demise. Mrs. Sorin was one of the highly regarded residents of the Globe district and her death comes as a severe blow to the people of the community.

Sarah Inslee Herring was born in New York on January 15, 1861, her age being 53 years at the time of her death. She was the daughter of Colonel William Herring, who for many years was the chief counsel for the Phelps Dodge interests. Col. Herring died in 1912 at Tucson and Mrs. Sorin, who was in partnership with her father, came to Globe as the attorney for the Old Dominion Copper company.

Weds Ranch Owner.

About 16 years ago Miss Herring was married to Thomas R. Sorin, who survives her. Mr. Sorin is a ranch owner near Pearce, Arizona, and was called to his wife's bedside Tuesday evening. Beside her husband Mrs. Sorin leaves three sisters, Miss Bertha Herring of Los Angeles, Mrs. Casle Clem of Kensington, Md., and Mrs. S. M. Franklin of Tucson, who arrived in Globe last night.

After the death of her father Mrs. Sorin became the attorney for the Old Dominion Copper company and the United Globe mines which she

Taken ill Friday.

She was taken ill last Friday night, but her condition was not considered critical until last Tuesday when she was removed from her home to the

## ARIZONA PRODUCING MINES ARE WORTH \$2,000,000 LESS

Phoenix, Arizona, May 5.—Arizona's producing mines are worth \$2,000,000 less than last year for purposes of taxation. The law provides that the valuation of a producing mine, for purposes of taxation is four times the net production for the preceding year plus 12 1-2 per cent of the gross and the physical value of improvements.

It was on the question of what constituted proper operating charges that the commissioners and nearly all the mine owners disagreed. The question was an important one because operating charges are deducted from the gross in arriving at the net. Other disagreements arose over the value of improvements. The commission laid down the rule that improvements are worth what they cost. This is manifestly unfair, the mine owners complain, for often a plant will cost more money in one location than another though it will do no more work. For instance, one company may build a 100 ton concentrator on a natural, level site, where no excavation is necessary. His next door neighbor may have no such favorable site, may be put to great expense for engineering and excavation. Transportation also enters into construction costs but is ignored by the commission.

The commission disallowed large amounts expended in exploration and development, in the construction of reduction works and in repairs. Several companies underwent unusually heavy overhauling expenses last year. A little more copper was produced in 1913 than in 1912, but the average price was a trifle lower.

The Copper Queen company will pay the heaviest tax, the valuation of its property being placed at \$26,149,370. The Superior Pittsburg, also of Cochise stands second with \$15,011,348.32; United Verde, Yavapai, third, with \$14,620,678; Ray Consolidated, Pinal, fourth, with \$11,392,694.34. Valuations of other leading producers are:

Cochise, Calumet & Arizona, \$3,381,141.81; Shattuck-Arizona, \$4,757,311.31. Gila—Miami, \$5,537,005.95; Old Dominion, \$4,062,010.59; United Globe \$2,230,216.15.

Greenlee—Arizona, \$3,102.25; Detroit, \$5,563,749.74; Shannon, \$1,180,529.20.

Mohave—Tom Reed, \$3,296,753.57. Among the mines that produced, but not enough to pay expenses, are the Bonanza Belt, Leonard and Great Western, in Cochise; Coronado in Greenlee; Frisco, Golconda and Grand Gulch, Mohave; Yavapai Consolidated and Swastika, Yavapai.

Chairman C. M. Zander of the commission gave out the following interview relative to the condition of the mining industry in Arizona:

"Throughout the state the mining industry is in a flourishing condition. Mining men are confident of the future. Nearly every company has added improved methods of mining during the year, and everywhere better methods of reduction are being adopted.

"The new smelter of the United Verde, at Clarkdale, will be blown in during the year. By the end of the year the great concentrating plant of the Inspiration will be nearly completed. Work is being rushed on a new smelter for the Inspiration at Miami.

"Last year the Arizona Copper company completed its \$2,000,000 smelter and it is now overhauling its concentrating and leaching plants. The Detroit Copper company is modernizing its smelter. Recently the El Paso & Southwestern took over the Morenci Southern railroad, which it is now practically rebuilding.

"At Bisbee the Copper Queen people have just completed a large precipitation plant. A sample concentrator is being installed, preliminary to the erection of a big plant to take care of the low grade ores recently developed.

"It is unfortunate that the companies are put to so much expense in personal injury suits. All the companies claim to be willing to pay just claims, but declare that unjust claims are being pressed under the provisions of the new state law. As a result the court dockets are clogged with an endless number of petty cases. The companies have suggested that personal injury matters be handled by a commission of three, one member to be appointed by the mine owners, one by the state and the third by organized labor. This is working well in Washington and is eliminating a great deal of expense."

hospital. Her decline was steady and rapid and yesterday the end came.

Funeral arrangements will be made at Tucson, to which city the body is to be shipped today. In the first case ever presented by a woman in the United States Supreme Court. The mandate in this case, which she won, was received in Globe a few hours before her death at 2:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She passed away without having seen the document.

Mrs. Sorin was a member of the state bar association. She first practiced law in Tombstone, where her father lived about twenty years ago. Although she did not come to Globe to live until about a year ago she had been appearing regularly in the Gila county courts for eight years and was widely known and admired in this district.

## MINE RESCUE CREW GIVE LESSONS IN DISTRICT

Representatives of Interior Department Give Thorough Demonstration of How Mine Rescue Apparatus Should be Employed.

G. W. Salisbury and O. W. Woodburn, attaches of the Department of the Interior, engaged in demonstrating mine rescue work and first aid to the injured, arrived in the Clifton-Morenci district this week.

Their private car was side tracked in Clifton while the expert rescue team visited the mines in Metcalf and Morenci, giving instruction to employees in rescue work in mines in case of accident.

The United States mining bureau representatives, who travel in a car equipped with the apparatus used in the work, are a pleasantly efficient and capable team of young men whose thorough knowledge of the work they are engaged in and the enthusiasm they bring with them cannot fail to impart a thorough conception of the rescue drill to those with whom they come in contact. Both at Longfellow and Morenci mines they have drilled men in the use of the mine rescue appliance and in first aid, the average maintained by them in the camps they visit being about forty in the use of the appliances and 130 in the first aid work. The Drager type of helmet, weighing forty pounds, is employed by them in their demonstrations. It contains a tank charged with oxygen confined at very high pressure which is reduced in pressure as it passes into the helmet. The exhaled breath of the helmet wearer passes through a receptacle filled with potash which allows only the hydrogen to pass and mingle with the oxygen flowing into the helmet, thus constantly purifying the air supply furnished the rescuer, wearing the appliance. The supply of air thus furnished will last two hours. The United States bureau of mines men have been in the state since the first week in March. They have visited and given demonstration in Jerome, Wickenburg, Ray, Tucson, Bisbee, Douglas, Wilcox, Miami and Globe. The bureau of mines' nominal headquarters are at Washington, D. C., but Pittsburg, Pa., contains the main experimental station, and at Bruceton, near Pittsburg, the bureau has an experimental mine.

CALLAGHAN NOT CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA.

Among the developments yesterday in the political party, that now controls the administration of the state, was the statement of State Auditor J. C. Callaghan, that he is not a candidate for governor. He made public the following statement which was immediately telegraphed all over the state.

"The intelligence contained in various newspapers under a recent Phoenix date line to the effect that I am being groomed as a candidate for governor comes to me as a complete surprise. I have neither authorized nor encouraged such announcement and while appreciating fully the confidence of friends in me, which doubtless inspired it, I think it proper to say for publication that I have at no time had under consideration such a subject nor am I at this time a candidate for that office."

Mr. Callaghan's prominence in making the investigation at the Reform School and the Pioneer Home, was also given prominence because of the receipt of a message from Prescott that Superintendent Caldwell of the Pioneer Home had withdrawn the suit of \$20,000 he had entered against the Journal Miner. This action grew out of statements made in connection with the Pioneer Home.

In this connection it is also interesting to note that Judge Powhatan J. Wren, of Constellation, Yavapai county, resigned his seat in the legislature on Jefferson's birthday. Many of Judge Wren's friends are predicting that he is to be appointed to the Pioneer Home to succeed P. V. Caldwell. Judge Wren was a supporter of Governor Hunt's policies during the meetings of the legislature.

APACHE FOREST NOTES.

The forest rangers use six lookout points during the fire season. These are on Baldy, Escudilla, Fat Knoll, East and West Blue Range and Rose Peak. Each of these points has a telephone.

Without the co-operation of the settlers and stockmen it would be impossible to handle the forest fires during the dangerous seasons.

Out of a total of 200 grazing permits for cattle and horses in 1913, 105 permits were for less than 40 head.

Over 350,000 lbs of wool was sheared in 1913 from sheep grazed on the Apache Forest.

The Apache Forest now has an accurate contour map of the 1,276,400 acres which it contains.

Three driveways for sheep have been laid out and posted on the Apache Forest. These are all on the White mountains.